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TAGS: EFIN, LE

SUBJECT: WAGE-PRICE CONTROLS IN U.S.

1. MINISTER NATIONAL ECONOMY NAZIH BIZRI HAS REQUESTED EMBASSY PROVIDE GENERAL INFORMATION ON U.S. LEGISLATIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE MACHINERY FOR REGULATION PRICES, WAGES, CARTELS IN U.S. MINISTER EXTENDING SAME REQUEST TO EMBASSY OF FRANCE AND FEW OTHER SELECTED COUNTRIES WITH QUOTE LIBERAL ECONOMIES UNQUOTE TO ASSIST FORMULATION GOL PROGRAM TO CONTROL HIGH RATE DOMESTIC INFLATION. MINISTER APPARENTLY WISHES STUDY EXPERIENCE OTHER COUNTRIES TO JUSTIFY STEPS WHICH UNDOUBTEDLY WILL BE UNPOPULAR WITH POWERFUL MERCHANT GROUP.

2. WHILE TRANSMITTAL COPIES OF RELEVANT U.S. LAWS AND GENERAL REGULATIONS USEFUL, BELIEVE THEIR VALUE WOULD BE GREATLY ENHANCED BY EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM BROADLY OUTLINING E.G. U.S. WAGE-PRICE POLICY AND PHILOSOPHY, THE ROLE OF THE FTC AND PUBLIC AND PRIVATE CONSUMER AFFAIRS BODIES, AND THE CURRENT STATUS OF U.S. WAGE PRICE CONTROL POLICY INCLUDING ITS METAMORPHOSIS SINCE MANDATORY CONTROLS INTRODUCED IN AUGUST 1971. REALIZE THIS TOPIC COULD BE BASIS FOR ADMIRABLE DOCTORAL DISSERTATION. NEVERTHELESS, HOPE SIZE OF RESPONSE AND TIME CONSUMED

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